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H.B. No. 157

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an appropriation of money from the economic
stabilization fund for classroom teacher salary increases.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The amount of \$1 billion is appropriated from the
economic stabilization fund to the foundation school fund for
distribution by the commissioner of education during the state
fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2017, to school districts to
provide classroom teacher salary increases.

SECTION 2. The commissioner of education shall distribute
the amount appropriated under this Act to school districts on the
basis of the number of classroom teachers, as defined by Section
5.001, Education Code, employed by each district.

SECTION 3. Each school district may use funds distributed
under this Act only to increase the salary that would otherwise be
provided to classroom teachers employed by the district.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017, but only
if it receives a vote of two-thirds of the members present in each
house of the legislature, as provided by Section 49-g(m), Article
III, Texas Constitution.